

SENATE BILL 275

By Harris

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-28-103, relative to the board of parole.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-28-103(b), is amended by adding the following language at the end of the subsection:

Beginning on the effective date of this act, all appointments and reappointments shall be made by the governor.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-28-103(c), is amended by deleting the language "experience in the criminal justice system, law, medicine," and substituting instead the language "experience in the criminal justice system, law, corrections, medicine,".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-28-103(c), is further amended by adding the following language immediately following the first sentence:

Beginning with the gubernatorial appointments that are made to the board of parole for terms beginning in January 2018 or when a vacancy on the board occurs, every six (6) years the governor shall appoint at least one (1) individual to the board who possesses expertise in corrections, probation, or parole by virtue of training or employment.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.